

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, June 13, 2006

9:00 a.m.

Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative LaJoy, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (14/17)

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Casperson, Moore, Condino. (3/17)

Representative Meyer made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of June 6, 2006, supported by Representative Pearce. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

The Chair laid SB 1224 before the Committee.

SB 1224 McManus Vehicles; bicycles; rights of bicyclists to operate on public roads and sidewalks; clarify.

The following individuals spoke to the Committee regarding SB 1224:

Alesha Gensler, representing Senator McManus

Todd Scott, representing the Michigan Mountain Biking Association, in support

Nancy Krupiarz, representing the Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance, in support

Rich Moeller, representing the League of Michigan Bicyclists, in support

Cards indicating support for SB 1224 were submitted by:

Brad Williams, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Kate Madigan, representing the Michigan Environmental Council

Representative Kathleen Law made a motion to amend SB 1224 as follows, supported by Representative Gosselin.

1. Amend page 5, line 6, after “**OPERATING**” by striking out “**A BICYCLE OR**”.
2. Amend page 5, line 8, after “path.” by striking out the balance of the subsection.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (12/17)

Nays: Representative Meyer. (1/17)

Pass: Representative Anderson. (1/17) (12/1/1)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Gosselin made a motion to report SB 1224 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Kathleen Law.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, Gosselin, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (10/17)

Nays: Representative Meyer. (1/17)

Pass: Representatives David Law, Anderson, Byrnes. (3/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid HB 5581 before the Committee.

HB 5581 Jones Transportation; school vehicles; actuation of alternately flashing red lights when loading and unloading students; require.

Representative Jones spoke to the Committee regarding the provisions of HB 5581.

Sgt. Matt Bolger, representing the Michigan State Police (MSP), submitted a card in support of HB 5581.

Representative Pearce made a motion to adopt HB 5581 (H-3), supported by Representative Pavlov.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (14/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Pavlov made a motion to report HB 5581 (H-3) with recommendation, supported by Representative Pearce.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (14/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid HB 5961 before the Committee.

HB 5961 Jones Vehicles; motorcycles; oscillating lights on the front of motorcycles; allow.

Representative Jones spoke to the Committee regarding the contents of HB 5961.

Sgt. Matt Bolger, representing the MSP, spoke briefly in support of HB 5961.

Jim Rhoades, representing the American Bikers Aiming Toward Education (ABATE) of Michigan, indicated support for a substitute version of HB 5961.

Representative Meyer made a motion to adopt HB 5961 (H-1), supported by Representative Kathleen Law.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (14/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Pearce made a motion to report HB 5961 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Gosselin.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (14/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid HB 6137 before the Committee.

HB 6137 LaJoy Vehicles; fund-raising registration plates; procedure to establish fund-raising plates; provide for and create support our troops plate.

Representative LaJoy discussed the contents of HB 6137 with the Committee.

James Fackler and Doug Novak, representing the Michigan Secretary of State (MSOS), discussed HB 6137 with the Committee.

Representative Pavlov made a motion to amend HB 6137 as follows, supported by Representative Meyer.

1. Amend page 20, line 22, after “**BEGINNING**” by striking out “**MAY 1, 2006**” and inserting “**JANUARY 1, 2007**”.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Tobocman. (14/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

At this time, Chair LaJoy stated that the Committee would stand at ease, the time being 10:00 a.m.

Chair LaJoy reconvened the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

The Chair stated that the Committee would continue to work on HB 6137 at a subsequent meeting.

Representative Meyer made a motion to excuse absent members, supported by Representative Pavlov. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair LaJoy declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:06 a.m.

Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk
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